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In re PATENT APPLICATION of:

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Title: System and Method for Allowing Excess Capacity for Restaurants and Other

INDUSTRIES DURING OFF-PEAK OR OTHER TIMES

## RESPONSE TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a response to the Examiner's Office Communication dated April 20, 2006.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of the paper.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned for under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 033975 (*Ref. No. 038100-0313722*).